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For : CONJUGATED LIGANDS FOR THE STIMULATION OF
BLOOD CELL PROLIFERATION BY EFFECTING
DIMERIZATION OF THE RECEPTOR FOR STEM
CELL FACTOR

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Sir:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JANUARY 18, 2002 OFFICE COMMUNICATION
CONCERNING NON-COMPLIANCE WITH SEQUENCE COMPLIANCE RULES

This Amendment is submitted in response to a January 18, 2002 Office Communication Concerning Non-Compliance with Sequence Compliance Rules issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the January 18, 2002 Communication is due February 18, 2002. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Applicants request that the following amendments be made to the above-identified application:

In The Written Description:

Please replace the paragraph beginning page 4, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph: